

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Status of the Claims

In the Response to the Restriction Requirement filed on October 12, 2004, Applicants presented claims 7, 10-13, 32-34, 48-54, 88-101, and 129-173. In this Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants have renumbered the claims, as shown below.

<u>Old Claim</u>	<u>Renumbered Claim</u>
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Applicants respectfully request entry of the renumbered new claims.

Support for the Claims

Support for these claims is found in the previously filed specification and claim set.

Claims 129-157 are equivalent to originally filed claims 7, 10-13, 32-34, 48-54 and 88-101. Therefore, these claims are supported by the original disclosure.

Support for claim 134 is also found on page 33, lines 19-29.

Support for claim 137 is also found from page 35, line 22 to page 36, line 14.

Support for claim 153 is also found on page 61, lines 5-10.

Support for new claims 158-162 is provided in originally filed claim 7, as well as from page 41, line 4 to page 47, line 10.

Support for new claims 163-172 is provided in originally filed claim 78, as well as from page 41, line 4 to page 47, line 10.

Support for new claims 173-178 is provided in originally filed claims 7 and 78, as well as from page 41, line 4 to page 47, line 10.

Support for new claims 179-184 is provided by originally filed claim 1, as well as from page 39, line 1 to page 40, line 15.

Support for new claim 185 is provided on page 53 from lines 6-11.

Support for new claim 186-189 is provided on page 45, lines 1-8, page 53, lines 12-22, and Example 4.

Support for new claims 190-191 is provided in Example 4 as well as from pages 49-50.

Support for new claims 192-195 is provided in Example 3 as well as from pages 49-50.

Support for new claims 196-199 is provided in Example 2 as well as from pages 49-50.

Support for new claims 200-202 is provided in original claim 1 and in Examples 2, 3 and 4.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-442-1000.

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